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Credit for technological innovations

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Implementing Authority (making decisions about the realization of the operation): BGK

Description of the Measure:

Within the framework of the Measure, **SME entrepreneurs** can apply for a grant (in the form of so-called technological bonus) to repay a portion of capital loan incurred for the investment

Types of eligible projects:

Support may be granted to companies planning the realization of investment involving:

- the purchase and implementation of new technology, which would be the basis to start the production of new or significantly improved (in relation to those manufactured in Poland so far) products, processes or services
- implementation of own new technology, which would be the basis to start the production of new or significantly improved (in relation to those manufactured in Poland so far) products, processes or services

The new technology is a technology in the form of:

- industrial property rights or
- results of development works or
- unpatented technical knowledge

which allows the generation of new or significantly improved (in relation to those manufactured in Poland so far) products, processes or services, and is not used in the world longer than 5 years.

Call for proposals:

- Submission of applications: from July 28th until September 30th, 2016
- Call's budget: PLN 500 million

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Level of support: not more than PLN 6 million and:

- **Investment part of the project-** In accordance with the regional aid map:
 - In areas of provinces: lubelskie, podkarpackie, podlaskie, warmińsko-mazurskie:
 - *50% for large, 60% medium and 70% of eligible costs for small companies*
 - In areas of provinces: kujawsko-pomorskie, lubuskie, łódzkie, małopolskie, opolskie, pomorskie, świętokrzyskie, zachodniopomorskie and in areas of subregions: ciechanowsko-łódzki, ostrołęcko-siedlecki, radomski i warszawski wschodni (Warsaw eastern subregion):
 - *35% for large, 45% for medium and 55% of eligible costs for small companies*
 - In areas of provinces: dolnośląskie, wielkopolskie, śląskie:
 - *25% for large, 35% for medium and 45% of eligible costs for small companies*
 - In the area of subregion of subregion warszawski zachodni (Warsaw western subregion):
 - *20% for large, 30% for medium and 40% of eligible costs for small companies*
 - In the area of the city of Warsaw in the period from 1 July 2014 to 31 December 2017:
 - *15% for large, 25% for medium and 35% of eligible costs for small companies*
 - In the area of the city of Warsaw in the period from 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2020:
 - *10% of for large, 20% for medium and 30% of eligible costs for small companies*
- **Advisory part of the project-** up to 50% of advisory costs

Applicant's own contribution: at least 25%

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Eligible expenses:

- purchase of undeveloped or developed property, up to 10% of the eligible expenses
- Purchase, construction and installation and commissioning costs of fixed assets other than those mentioned above (except transport equipment purchased by an operator established in the transport sector)
- purchase of construction work and materials for construction or expansion of buildings, structures or parts thereof
- purchase of intangible assets such as patents, licenses, know-how and technical knowledge
- installment payments of the initial value of land and buildings, paid under the lease contract, excluding the lease-back, up to their initial value from the day of signing the lease agreement, incurred until the completion of investment, provided that the lease agreement will be concluded for a period of at least 3 years after the anticipated date of project completion
- installment payments of the initial value of fixed assets (other than land and buildings) or intangible assets, paid under the lease contract, leading to a transfer of ownership of these assets to the lessee, excluding the lease-back
- costs associated with renting of land and buildings, or parts thereof, incurred until completion of technological investment, provided that the tenancy agreement is going to last for a period of at least 3 years after the expected date of completion of the technological investment
- external consultancy costs: studies, reports, concepts and technical projects needed to implement new technology

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Criteria for substantive assessment of projects:

1. Compatibility of technology planned for implementation under the project and the project subject to the requirements for submeasure (0 or 1 point; **required minimum: 1 point**) – it is examined, i.e., whether:
 - implemented the technology is eligible for support, i.e. whether it has the form of:
 - industrial property rights or
 - results of development works or
 - results of industrial research or
 - unpatented technical knowledge
 - the object of the project is the implementation of technological investment, i.e. an investment consisting of:
 - purchasing a new technology and its implementation, or
 - the implementation of Applicant's own new technology
2. Innovation of the technology planned for implementation under the project (0, 2 or 4 points):
 - technology introduces new beneficial solutions that were not previously available in alternative solutions - **4 points**
 - technology constitutes a development of known technologies – it introduces improvements of selected characteristics of the previously known solutions, eg. speed, efficiency - **2 points**
 - none of the above - **0 points**

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Criteria for substantive assessment of projects (continuation):

3. The novelty and the market potential of the final result of the project (product, process, service) (from 0 to 8 points):
 - Product/process/service intended for production as the project result is new or significantly improved with respect to the previously produced in Poland, and is the result of the implementation of technology presented in the project - **1 point**
 - Product/process/service intended for production can be described as a breakthrough from the point of view of the industry (eg. It has the potential influencing industry's further development; it includes a new beneficial solutions that were not previously available in alternative solutions) - **2 points**
 - The market potential of project's final result, ie. product/process /service resulting from the implementation of new technology - **from 0 to 5 points**
4. Expenditure on the project have been determined in accordance with the catalog of eligible expenditure and are necessary for the implementation of technological investment and are functionally linked (0 or 1 pkt; **required minimum: 1 point**)
5. The project has a positive impact on the implementation of the principle of sustainable development, referred to in art. 8 of Regulation of the European Parliament and the Council (EU) No 1303/2013 (0 or 1 pkt; **required minimum: 1 point**)
6. Project indicators are objectively verifiable and reflect the project's goals (0 or 1 pkt; **required minimum: 1 point**)
7. The subject of the project is a solution which fit within the National Smart Specialization and/or is related to high or medium-high-tech industries or high-tech knowledge-intensive services, in accordance with the classification of Eurostat (from 0 to 3 points):
 - the subject of the project is the solution which fit within the at least one of the National Smart Specialisations - **2 points**
 - technology refers to industries of high or medium-high-tech industries or high-tech knowledge-intensive services, in accordance with the Eurostat classification - **1 point**
8. The applicant is a member of the National Key Cluster (**0 or 1 point**)

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